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RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION PURSUANT TO 35 U.S.C. §121

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Chemokine-Like Factors (CKLFs) With

Chemotactic And Hematopoietic

Stimulating Activities

Sir:

For:

The Examiner has required in the Office Action dated April 10, 2002, that pursuant to 35 USC §121, the pending application be subjected to three restrictions. In the first restriction requirement, the Examiner maintains that the subject application should be restricted to one of the alleged nine "inventions" of Groups A through I. Responding thereto, Applicants hereby elect, with traverse, the Group I invention presently defined by Claims 1-16. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the restriction requirement.

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